This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (canceled)

2. (canceled)

3. (canceled)

4. (canceled)

5. (currently amended) A cleaning machine, comprising:

a fresh liquid tank;

a waste recovery tank positioned atop the fresh liquid tank;

a vacuum source including a vacuum motor, the vacuum source enabling a soil-containing fluid to be vacuumed into the waste recovery tank;

a fresh liquid pump positioned above the fresh liquid tank, the fresh liquid pump enabling a liquid or solution to be pumped from the fresh liquid tank; and

~~The cleaning machine of claim 1 further including~~ a motor housing connected to the waste recovery tank, the motor housing defining a motor-housing interior space, ~~the vacuum source including a vacuum motor,~~ with the vacuum motor and the fresh liquid pump being positioned in the motor-housing interior space and mounted to the motor housing.

6. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 5 wherein the motor housing includes a generally upwardly extending projection, and the fresh liquid tank includes a generally

downwardly extending projection, the projections constructed and arranged to serve as upper and lower hose wraps, respectively.

7. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 5 further including a blower motor, the blower motor positioned in the motor-housing interior space and mounted to the motor housing.

8. (canceled)

9. (currently amended) A cleaning machine, comprising:

a fresh liquid tank;

a waste recovery tank positioned atop the fresh liquid tank;

a vacuum source, the vacuum source enabling a soil-containing fluid to be vacuumed into the waste recovery tank;

a fresh liquid pump positioned above the fresh liquid tank, the fresh liquid pump enabling a liquid or solution to be pumped from the fresh liquid tank; and

~~The cleaning machine of claim 1 further including~~ waste recovery intake structure, the waste recovery intake structure fluidly connected to, and extending generally upwardly from, the waste recovery tank.

10. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 9 wherein the waste recovery intake structure is integrally connected to the waste recovery tank.

11. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 9 wherein the waste recovery intake structure includes an upper portion fluidly connected to a lower portion, with the upper portion extending generally outwardly from the waste recovery tank.

12. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 11 wherein the upper portion includes a waste recovery intake port.

13. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 12 wherein the waste recovery intake port includes a tube, whereby, when the vacuum source is activated, a soil-containing fluid may flow upwardly through the tube, across an interior space of the upper portion, downwardly through the lower portion, and into the waste recovery tank.

14. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 9 wherein the cleaning machine includes a front, the waste recovery intake structure generally positioned toward and at the front.

15. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 14 further including a generally outwardly and downwardly extending projection positioned at the front, below the waste recovery intake structure, whereby the intake structure and the projection may serve as upper and lower hose wraps, respectively.

16. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 9 wherein the waste recovery intake structure includes a circumferential sidewall defining an interior passage, the cleaning machine including a filter positioned in the interior passage.

17. (canceled)

18. (canceled)

19. (currently amended) A cleaning machine, comprising:

a fresh liquid tank;

a waste recovery tank positioned atop the fresh liquid tank;

a vacuum source, the vacuum source enabling a soil-containing fluid to be vacuumed into the waste recovery tank;

a fresh liquid pump positioned above the fresh liquid tank, the fresh liquid pump enabling a liquid or solution to be pumped from the fresh liquid tank; and

a spigot fluidly connected to the fresh liquid tank, whereby a user may regulate the flow of a liquid or solution from the fresh liquid tank, ~~The cleaning machine of claim 18 wherein~~ the spigot including ~~includes~~ a selectively-adjustable valve which is operable between a fully open position and a fully closed position.

20. (currently amended) A cleaning machine, comprising:

a fresh liquid tank;

a waste recovery tank positioned atop the fresh liquid tank;

a vacuum source, the vacuum source enabling a soil-containing fluid to be vacuumed into the waste recovery tank;

a fresh liquid pump positioned above the fresh liquid tank, the fresh liquid pump enabling a liquid or solution to be pumped from the fresh liquid tank; and

a spigot fluidly connected to the fresh liquid tank, whereby a user may regulate the flow of a liquid or solution from the fresh liquid tank,

~~The cleaning machine of claim 18 wherein~~ the cleaning machine including ~~includes~~ a back, with ~~and~~ the spigot being ~~is~~ at the back.

21. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 20 further including an extension handle operatively connected to the spigot, the handle being elongated and extending upwardly from the spigot.

22. (currently amended) A cleaning machine, comprising:

a fresh liquid tank;

a waste recovery tank positioned atop the fresh liquid tank;

a vacuum source, the vacuum source enabling a soil-containing fluid to be vacuumed into the waste recovery tank;

a fresh liquid pump positioned above the fresh liquid tank, the fresh liquid pump enabling a liquid or solution to be pumped from the fresh liquid tank; and

~~The cleaning machine of claim 1 further including~~ an inline wetting apparatus fluidly connectable to the waste recovery tank, the inline wetting apparatus comprising:

tubing having a first end, a second end, a circumferential sidewall defining an interior, and a rim defining an opening in the circumferential sidewall, the first end fluidly connectable to a cleaning tool, and the second end fluidly connectable to the waste recovery tank; and

a spray assembly fluidly connectable to the rim of the tubing and to a source of pressurized liquid, the spray assembly including a spray nozzle and mounting structure, the spray assembly operable to direct a liquid through the spray nozzle into the interior of the tubing from a source of pressurized liquid, and the mounting structure releasably connectable to the rim of the tubing, thereby providing a user with access to the interior of the tubing via the opening defined by the rim when the mounting structure is disconnected from the rim,

whereby a liquid from the spray nozzle and a plurality of soil particles passing through the tubing may come into contact.

23. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 22 wherein the mounting structure and the rim are constructed and arranged to form a friction fit with each other, whereby a user readily may connect or disconnect the mounting structure and the rim.

24. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 22 wherein the tubing includes a releasably connectable tube section, the releasably connectable tube section including the rim defining the opening in the circumferential sidewall.

25. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 22 wherein at least a portion of the tubing is flexible.

26. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 22 wherein at least a portion of the tubing is transparent.

27. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 22 wherein the source of pressurized liquid includes the fresh liquid tank and the fresh liquid pump.

28. (canceled)

29. (currently amended) A cleaning machine, comprising:

a fresh liquid tank;

a waste recovery tank positioned atop the fresh liquid tank;

a vacuum source, the vacuum source enabling a soil-containing fluid to be vacuumed into the waste recovery tank; and

a spigot operatively connected to the fresh liquid tank, whereby a user may regulate the flow of a liquid or solution from the fresh liquid tank,

~~The cleaning machine of claim 28 wherein~~ the spigot including ~~includes~~ a selectively-adjustable valve which is operable between a fully open position and a fully closed position.

30. (currently amended) A cleaning machine, comprising:

a fresh liquid tank;

a waste recovery tank positioned atop the fresh liquid tank;

a vacuum source, the vacuum source enabling a soil-containing fluid to be vacuumed into the waste recovery tank; and

a spigot operatively connected to the fresh liquid tank, whereby a user may regulate the flow of a liquid or solution from the fresh liquid tank,

~~The cleaning machine of claim 28 wherein~~ the cleaning machine including ~~includes~~ a back, and the spigot being ~~is~~ at the back.

31. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 30 further including an extension handle operatively connected to the spigot, the handle being elongated and extending upwardly from the spigot.

32. (canceled)

33. (currently amended) A cleaning machine, comprising:

a fresh liquid tank;

a waste recovery tank positioned atop the fresh liquid tank;

a vacuum source, the vacuum source enabling a soil-containing fluid to be vacuumed into the waste recovery tank;

a spigot operatively connected to the fresh liquid tank, whereby a user may regulate the flow of a liquid or solution from the fresh liquid tank, and

a motor housing connected to the waste recovery tank, the motor housing defining a motor-housing interior space, the vacuum source including a vacuum motor positioned in the motor-housing interior space and mounted to the motor housing,

~~The cleaning machine of claim 32 wherein~~ the motor housing including ~~includes~~ a generally upwardly extending projection, and the fresh liquid tank including ~~includes~~ a generally downwardly extending projection, the projections being constructed and arranged to serve as upper and lower hose wraps, respectively.

34. (currently amended) A cleaning machine, comprising:

a fresh liquid tank;

a waste recovery tank positioned atop the fresh liquid tank;

a vacuum source, the vacuum source enabling a soil-containing fluid to be vacuumed into the waste recovery tank;

a spigot operatively connected to the fresh liquid tank, whereby a user may regulate the flow of a liquid or solution from the fresh liquid tank; and

~~The cleaning machine of claim 28 further including~~ waste recovery intake structure, the waste recovery intake structure fluidly connected to, and extending generally upwardly from, the waste recovery tank.

35. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 34 wherein the waste recovery intake structure is integrally connected to the waste recovery tank.

36. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 34 wherein the waste recovery intake structure includes an upper portion fluidly connected to a lower portion, with the upper portion extending generally outwardly from the waste recovery tank.

37. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 36 wherein the upper portion includes a waste recovery intake port.

38. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 37 wherein the waste recovery intake port includes a tube, whereby, when the vacuum source is activated, a soil-containing fluid may flow upwardly through the tube, across an interior space of the upper portion, downwardly through the lower portion, and into the waste recovery tank.

39. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 34 wherein the cleaning machine includes a front, the waste recovery intake structure generally positioned toward and at the front.

40. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 39 further including a generally outwardly and downwardly extending projection positioned at the front, below the waste recovery intake structure, whereby the intake structure and the projection may serve as upper and lower hose wraps, respectively.

41. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 34 wherein the waste recovery intake structure includes a circumferential sidewall defining an interior passage, the cleaning machine including a filter positioned in the interior passage.

42. (canceled)

43. (currently amended) A cleaning machine, comprising:

a fresh liquid tank;

a waste recovery tank positioned atop the fresh liquid tank;

a vacuum source, the vacuum source enabling a soil-containing fluid to be vacuumed into the waste recovery tank;

a spigot operatively connected to the fresh liquid tank, whereby a user may regulate the flow of a liquid or solution from the fresh liquid tank; and

~~The cleaning machine of claim 28 further including~~ an inline wetting apparatus fluidly connectable to the waste recovery tank, the inline wetting apparatus comprising:

tubing having a first end, a second end, a circumferential sidewall defining an interior, and a rim defining an opening in the circumferential sidewall, the first end fluidly connectable to a cleaning tool, and the second end fluidly connectable to the waste recovery tank; and

a spray assembly fluidly connectable to the rim of the tubing and to a source of pressurized liquid, the spray assembly including a spray nozzle and mounting structure, the spray assembly operable to direct a liquid through the spray nozzle into the interior of the tubing from a source of pressurized liquid, and the mounting structure releasably connectable to the rim of the tubing, thereby providing a user with access to the interior of the tubing via the opening defined by the rim when the mounting structure is disconnected from the rim,

whereby a liquid from the spray nozzle and a plurality of soil particles passing through the tubing may come into contact.

44. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 43 wherein the mounting structure and the rim are constructed and arranged to form a friction fit with each other, whereby a user readily may connect or disconnect the mounting structure and the rim.

45. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 43 wherein the tubing includes a releasably connectable tube section, the releasably connectable tube section including the rim defining the opening in the circumferential sidewall.

46. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 43 wherein at least a portion of the tubing is flexible.

47. (original) The cleaning machine of claim 43 wherein at least a portion of the tubing is transparent.

48. (original) An inline wetting apparatus for use with a wet-dry vacuum machine, the inline wetting apparatus comprising:

tubing having a first end, a second end, a circumferential sidewall defining an interior, and a rim defining an opening in the circumferential sidewall, the first end fluidly connectable to a cleaning tool, and the second end fluidly connectable to a waste recovery tank of a wet-dry vacuum machine; and

a spray assembly fluidly connectable to the rim of the tubing and to a source of pressurized liquid, the spray assembly including a spray nozzle and mounting structure, the spray assembly operable to direct a liquid through the spray nozzle into the interior of the tubing from a source of pressurized liquid, and the mounting structure releasably connectable to the rim of the tubing, thereby providing a user with access to the interior of the tubing via the opening defined by the rim when the mounting structure is disconnected from the rim,

whereby a liquid from the spray nozzle and a plurality of soil particles passing through the tubing may come into contact.

49. (original) The inline wetting apparatus of claim 48 wherein the mounting structure and the rim are constructed and arranged to form a friction fit with each other, whereby a user readily may connect or disconnect the mounting structure and the rim.

50. (original) The inline wetting apparatus of claim 48 wherein the tubing includes a releasably connectable tube section, the releasably connectable tube section including the rim defining the opening in the circumferential sidewall.

51. (original) The inline wetting apparatus of claim 48 wherein at least a portion of the tubing is flexible.

52. (original) The inline wetting apparatus of claim 48 wherein at least a portion of the tubing is transparent.